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UPCOMING DATES IN APRIL:

- 5th—NEW Kindergarten registrations
- 13th—International Day of Pink
—anti-bullying awareness
- 14th—Good Friday (No School)
- 17th—Easter Monday (No School)
- 20th—Gr. 3-6 Math Contest (am)
- 21st—SEPT “Meet-and-Greet” for parents @ 8:45am
- 22nd—Earth Day
- 27th—Parent Council @ 6:30pm
- 25th—EQAO Parent Information Night @ 6:30pm
- 28th—Cooperation assembly @ 9:15am



UPCOMING DATES IN MAY:

- 1st to 5th—Education Week
- 2nd—Folk Dance Jamboree
- 4th—Newsletter
- 4th—Arts Night
- 13th—Spring Fair @ 11am to 3pm

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We are very fortunate to have a small collective of outstanding parents currently organizing the Spring Fair on Saturday, May 13th @ 11am to 3pm. This huge event promises to be a wonderful time for Forest Manor school families—but we need everyone's support to make it a complete success. Parents—please get involved—email the Spring Fair committee at:



springfair@yahoo.ca

Parents should be aware that plans for next school year are already under way. If you happen to be in the process of moving schools next year, please complete the form attached to this newsletter. A reminder that both current Grade 5 and Grade 6 students will be graduating this year at the end of June as Forest Manor P.S. will be a Kindergarten to Grade 5 school next year!

Thank you,
Kevin Freckelton
Principal



DOING OUR PART FOR EARTH HOUR



Earth Hour acts as a visible symbol of the many actions we take every day in TDSB schools and offices to reduce our environmental impact.

Every school and office was invited to join in on Friday, March 24th from 2 to 3p.m. as we aimed to use as little electricity as possible for one hour!

Last year we set a new record, reducing our energy use by 29.9%! Forest Manor has participated in this important event by turning out the lights in areas that are not a risk to student safety and by limiting the use of electricity.

APRIL 13th—INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PINK:

International Day of Pink is celebrated on April 13th. The International Day of Pink is a Canadian anti-bullying event held annually on the second Wednesday of April. The day started when David Shepherd and Travis Price saw a student being bullied in their high school in Nova Scotia and supported the student by getting everyone at school to wear pink in support of him. The result was that an entire school stopped homophobic and transphobic bullying.

The message was clear: anyone can bully, any one can be victimized by bullying, but together we can stop it.

Each year on the second Wednesday of April, millions of people wear pink to remember that positive actions make a difference. And that the change starts with each one of us.

NEEDED: DONORS AND SPONSORS FOR THE SPRING FAIR ON SATURDAY, MAY 13TH @ 11AM TO 3PM

In order to enhance the programs we can offer our school community, we are requesting your financial support, or “gifts in kind” to help make the Spring Fair a big success on **Saturday, May 13th at 11am to 3pm**. If you are interested in being directly involved in our Spring Fair, please contact us via email: [**springfair@yahoo.ca**](mailto:springfair@yahoo.ca)

For every company that supports one or more of our school events, we will include their name in our newsletter and website, and post it on our school marquee.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to future partnership opportunities and your continued support.

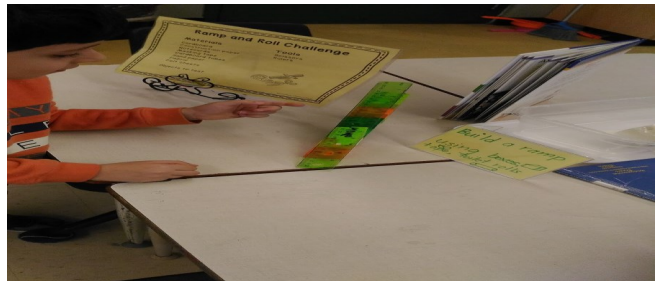


Above—A “climbing wall” has been added to the Spring Fair activities.

ROAMING THE ROOMS...STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS!

STEM IN FDK

The FDK students have been investigating, learning and designing ramps in S.T.E.M. with Mrs. Wong over the past month. Students have tested out 'friction ramps', curved ramps and designed their own ramps while testing out cars and trucks on them. Their learning about 'inclined planes' has lead them to design their own cars as well. Students are learning about the parts of a car (e.g., axles, wheels) and have a new S.T.E.M. challenge - to design a car that moves more than 1 tile and remains intact. Many of them are using found materials (e.g., dowels, wooden beads, styrofoam, cardboard, tape). Stay tuned to see our cars and find out which ones are the fastest! Follow us on Twitter: [@inquiringtechr](https://twitter.com/inquiringtechr)



MOVING SCHOOLS NEXT YEAR?

It is hard to believe that it's already April and we're starting to plan for next year!! It is important that parents inform the school as early as possible if they are planning to move out of the Forest Manor Public School area by the end of August.



*If your child is currently in JK to Grade 4, and you are planning to move by the end of August, please complete the form below and return it to the school with your child. This way we do not put your child on a class list, but prepare a transfer form for June. Please return this form to the Main Office by **April 10th.**

****Please note: If your child is in Grade 5 or in Grade 6, there is no need to return this form as s/he will be graduating from Forest Manor Public School.**

Child's Name: _____ Teacher: _____

Moving as of (date): _____ New school: _____

Parent name: _____ Phone: _____

Streetproofing Tips

At school, the safety of your child is our most important priority. We remind you to keep your school staff up to date with your address, phone number, childcare arrangements, to whom your child may be released, etc. We also encourage you not to permit your child make alternate arrangements over the lunch hour if they are in a lunch program. We need you to let us know about any changes of routine and to sign your child in if they are arriving late or leaving early for any reason.

The Toronto Police streetproofing program encourages you to teach your child:

1. his/her name, address, phone number;
2. to Dial 9-1-1 in an emergency;
3. to communicate with you when they feel unsafe or afraid;
4. to keep you informed as to his/her whereabouts at all times;
5. never to admit to being alone in the home when answering the telephone;
6. never to invite strangers into the house or answer the door when alone;
7. never to approach or enter a stranger's car or hitchhike;
8. never to travel or play alone- always be with friends;
9. to trust their feelings and say "NO" to an adult if that adult wants them to do something that is wrong;
10. not to accept gifts from strangers;
11. to tell you if someone has asked them to keep a secret from you;
12. that no one has the right to touch any part of his/ her body that a bathing suit would cover;
13. that if he/ she is being followed, or approached too closely, to run home or go to the nearest public place and yell for help;
14. to report to your school authorities or a police officer, anyone who act suspiciously towards him/ her;
15. never to play in deserted buildings or isolated areas;
16. never to enter anyone's home without your permission;
17. to avoid taking shortcuts through parks and fields;
18. never to show his/her money and if attacked to give it up rather than risk injury;
19. that a police officer is a friend who can always be relied upon when he/ she is lost or needs assistance.

Together, we can keep our school and community a safe environment for our children.





ANAPHYLACTIC ALERT

There are several children in our school with severe life-threatening food allergies (called anaphylaxis). This is a medical condition that causes a severe reaction to specific foods or other materials and can result in death within minutes. Although peanuts and peanut products are the most common foods to cause anaphylaxis, shellfish, fish, eggs, sulphites, milk, mint, sesame seeds, tea tree oil, soy or any other food can cause this dangerous condition. This year, we also have a child with a serious allergy to tea tree oil.

Although this may or may not affect your child's class directly, we want to inform you so that you may choose to send foods to school with your child that are free from nuts and nut products.



If your child has health problems of any kind, please inform your child's teacher or office staff immediately so that the necessary health protection steps may be taken. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation in ensuring the safest environment for our students!

MEDICAL & EMERGENCY CONCERNS

It is very important that parents keep the school informed of any student medical conditions, student medication (updated when necessary) and emergency contact phone numbers.



We need to maintain correct student records in order to provide good care for your child(ren). Please call or visit the school office if you have any new information to share.

TREASURES AND TROUBLES

Please discourage your child from bringing expensive or special toys to school—this includes electronic items, such as cell phones/smart phones. We cannot assume responsibility for lost or stolen items. Since most students can walk to school we do not allow scooters at school. Some students have also brought pocket knives, toy guns, caps for capguns or matches to school. All such dangerous articles are never allowed at school.



APRIL IS CO-OPERATION MONTH

What does co-operation look like/sound like?

- Happily doing something that will help others
- Agreeing to play a game others want to play if it means the group will benefit
- Helping someone in need by opening a door or helping to carry something
- Helping to find a compromise when a group is in disagreement
- Playing fair when participating in sports or games, and being a "good loser" and a "good winner"
- Inviting someone who is alone or "left out" to join the group
- Encouraging others to recognize the importance of co-operation by demonstrating the spirit of co-operation in your daily activities
- Volunteering time or resources to a community project
- Listening to the ideas of group members and finding ways for each person to feel valued and important
- Offering to do a job that nobody else in the group wants to do
- Asking the group members for their ideas and opinions

CLUBS/TEAMS/ACTIVITIES - APRIL 2017

ACTIVITY	DAY	LOCATION	TIME	TEACHER(S)	GRADE
GR. 1 READING CLUB	Thurs	Learning Commons	3:20-4:30	Creighton	1
GR 4/5/6 - ULTIMATE FRISBEE	Tues/Thurs	Gym A & B	11:50-12:30	Bracht	4-6
ECO-OWLS - (LIGHTS OFF)	Daily	School Wide	10:15-10:30	Cyr	5-6
BLUE BOX RECYCLING	Mon	School Wide	10:15-10:30	Cyr, Cresta, Kaell	5-6
ECO OWLS	Mon	Rm 202	11:50-12:30	Cyr	5-6
GREEN BIN COLLECTING	Daily	School Wide	2:05	Cyr, Kaell	4-6
FOREST OF READING CLUB	Tues.	Learning Commons	11:50-12:30	Surgenor	3-6
FOLKDANCE CLUB (TILL FIRST WEEK OF MAY)	Wed	Gym A	11:50-12:30	Lauretti-Martin, Bayne-Thompson	3-6
PRIMARY CHOIR	Thurs.	Music Room	11:50-12:30	Kim, Passek-Kaplan	2-3
SAFETY PATROL	Daily	Front of school	Entry/ Dismissal	Creighton	5-6
AMBASSADORS	TBA	School Events	TBA	Creighton	5-6
TALENT SHOW	Mon-Fri. (as determined by mentor teacher)	teacher mentor room	11:50-12:30	Damiano, McConnell, Davidson, Economou, Creighton, Vogiatzis, Belevski	1-6
LEGO CLUB	TBA	102	11:50-12:30	Nq	2
ROBOTICS	TBA	102	11:50-12:30	Nq, Wichert, Zavitz	6
KINDER MAKERSPACE	Wed	109	11:30-12:30	Wong, Shulman	FDK
SCHOOL SOCCER TEAM TRAINING	Various days	Gym A + B outside	11:50 - 2:30 3:20 -4:30	Ready, Kaell	5, 6
MATH CLUB	MON	203	3:20-4:30	Belevski, Creighton, Zavitz	2
GR. 4 FITNESS	Tuesday	GYM B	11:50 - 12:30	Armstrong, Pietropaolo, Wong, Kanellos, Belevski	4
GRADE 1 & 2 FOLK DANCE	WED	GYM B	11:50-12:30	Kaell, Cyr	1-2

ROAMING THE ROOMS...STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS!

On March 9 the LEAP class went to Forest Valley Outdoor Education centre to learn about how maple syrup is made. These are some of our adjective poems about our awesome day.

Forest Valley
cold, great, brown Forest Valley
big, fun, tasty Forest Valley
watery, syrupy, sugary Forest Valley
Forest Valley
by Shahad

Don River
rocky, moving, loud Don River
Icy, Wild, gray Don River
Cold wet, beautiful Don River
Don River
by Jamal

Sap
clear, sugary, cold sap
Wet, Icy, running sap
Slow, heavy, sticky Sap
Sap
by Sahar

Maple Syrup
expensive, yummy brown maple syrup
Sweet, valuable, fabulous maple syrup
Wonderful, sticky beautiful maple syrup
Maple Syrup
By Amina

Maple Tree
big, rough, bare maple tree
sugary, tasty, dripping maple tree
sappy, bumpy, beautiful maple tree
maple tree
by Sidra

KEY WORDS THAT YOUR CHILD HAS TO LEARN:

COMPARE
DESCRIBE
DETERMINE
LIST
EXPLAIN
JUSTIFY



SHOW YOUR WORK (using words, pictures, numbers, diagrams, graphs, symbols, charts, etc.)

For more information on how to help your child academically, go to:

www.eqao.com

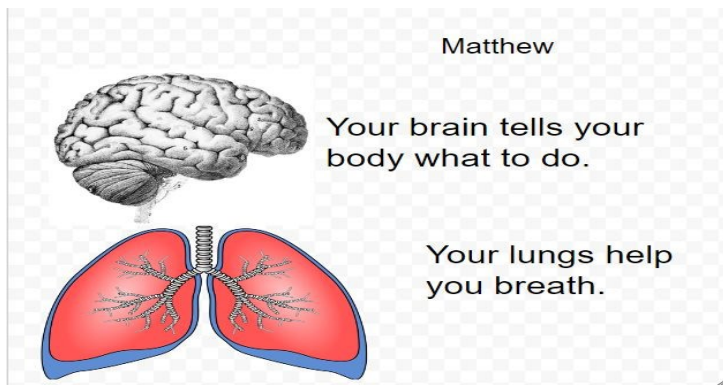


Pictured Above: One of our Grade 5-6 students participating in our "Mannequin Museum" as part of the study and celebration of Black History Month. Students had to study various heroes to learn their backgrounds and then put that knowledge into "action". When visitors clicked on the button on the floor in front of a student "mannequin" display, s/he became "alive" and recited facts from the history.

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GRADE 1...MS CYR...

Ms. Cyr's class spent some time in the Learning Commons and with the help of Mrs. Surgenor learned to use Google Classroom and Google Drawings on the Chrome Books. Their work on the inside parts of the body was very impressive. They learned how to insert pictures and text boxes. They also typed the information they had learned about their bodies, virtually shared their work with others and typed "put ups" to their classmates on their work. Both Ms. Cyr and Mrs. Surgenor were very proud and impressed with how hard they worked!



ECO SCHOOLS...HELPING THE ENVIRONMENT!

The Eco Owls were busy at work in March promoting 2 important days-World water day and Earth hour! They created this display with the help of Ms. Cyr's Grade 1s and Ms. Chang's grade 3's to help the school learn important information about how much water we actually use. The information may surprise you! If you haven't checked it out read the information in the front hallway.

Follow what the Eco Owls will be doing for Earth Month on Twitter @FM_ECOTeam or on our blog <https://blog.seesaw.me/ecoteam>



GRADE 4'S GO TO THE ONTARIO SCIENCE CENTRE

Aamena

The workshop was the best activity because the scientist was very nice and picked a lot of volunteers. I also learned a lot of things like the primary colors of light. They are red, blue, yellow. My favorite part was when he did all the experiments. They were all so cool and awesome. I loved the workshop.

Shashvat

At the Ontario Science Centre, my favourite activity was the Light and Sound Show. I especially liked when they revealed the light travelling from the laser to the wall. I also liked it because they were funny. The other thing I liked a lot was when he shook the slinky and it traveled like a wave.

Kevin

I really liked when we went to the Forest because there were leaves attached to trees and fishes swimming in the water and I liked when we saw this kind of tunnel and you put the paper in the tunnel and it will fly up then it will go down.

GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL TEAM WINS CHAMPIONSHIP!

Girls Volleyball teams in Forest Manor had a very successful season. Girls worked tirelessly since October in the Volleyball Club. We learned basic skills, strategies and tricks which we applied to our games.

The Grade 6 team: Gianna (Captain), Janani, Emily, Sarah, Jahlesha, Navya, Yasmin, Jada, Lakshita and Preeti, successfully played till the Conference Quarter-Finals. The Grade 5 team: Shanti (Captain), Ty'nye, Sara.C, Sara.D, Wessal, Layma, Eleny, and Kaylie, became Conference Champions by fearlessly playing against other teams. The magnificent coaches that helped all this happen are Ms.Belevski, Mr.Caluya and Ms.McConnell.

By Gianna (Grade 6)

SPRING FAIR

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

YOUR INVOLVEMENT MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE

SATURDAY 13th MAY 2017

11am - 3pm

Hi! We are looking for student & parent volunteers to help in our School Fair 2017

Volunteers are a great asset to the school dynamic.

The children and the Spring Fair Committee invite you join us
in organizing a memorable event. Your time and dedication will be greatly
appreciated as a volunteer!



Volunteers Needed!

For additional information
please contact
School Council
at
springfair@yahoo.ca

Child's name: _____

Class: _____

Parent's name: _____

Email: _____

Contact number: _____

READING PROGRAMS & STORYTIMES



Heure du Conte French Storytime

Tuesdays, May 2, 9, 16
For ages 7 and up

6:45 – 7:30 p.m.
Room 2 (2nd Floor)

Venez vous amuser avec des histoires et des chansons en français!

Please register at the information desk on the second floor or by calling the branch.

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